



Minnesota Ag News – Milk Production

Upper Midwest Region - Minnesota Field Office · 375 Jackson St, Ste 610 · St. Paul, MN 55107 (651) 728-3113

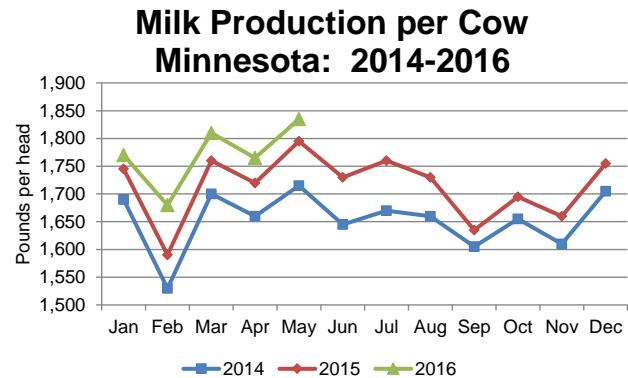
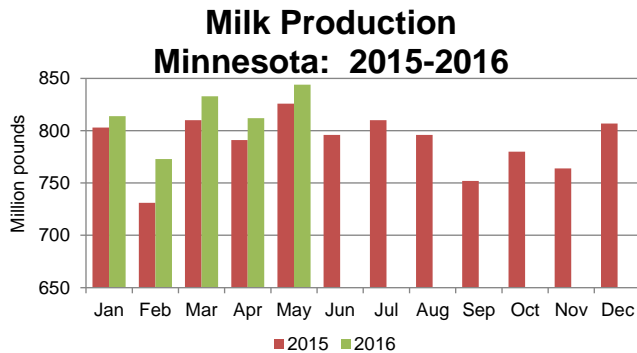
fax (855) 271-9802 · www.nass.usda.gov

Cooperating with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture

June 21, 2016

Media Contact: Dan Lofthus

Milk production in Minnesota during May 2016 totaled 844 million pounds, up 2 percent from the previous May according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during May, at 460,000 head, was unchanged from both last month and last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,835 pounds, up 40 pounds from last May. This is the highest monthly milk per cow on record for Minnesota.



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: May 2015 and 2016

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	Change from 2015
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	195	198	2,210	2,225	431	441	2.3
California	1,778	1,772	2,055	2,005	3,654	3,553	-2.8
Colorado	145	149	2,200	2,225	319	332	4.1
Florida	125	123	1,920	1,895	240	233	-2.9
Idaho	586	591	2,105	2,125	1,234	1,256	1.8
Illinois	95	94	1,810	1,820	172	171	-0.6
Indiana	181	184	1,960	1,965	355	362	2.0
Iowa	212	211	2,015	2,070	427	437	2.3
Kansas	144	144	1,965	1,970	283	284	0.4
Michigan	407	418	2,195	2,285	893	955	6.9
Minnesota.....	460	460	1,795	1,835	826	844	2.2
New Mexico	323	310	2,190	2,195	707	680	-3.8
New York	618	620	1,990	2,080	1,230	1,290	4.9
Ohio	267	266	1,815	1,830	485	487	0.4
Oregon	124	126	1,800	1,810	223	228	2.2
Pennsylvania	530	530	1,815	1,820	962	965	0.3
South Dakota.....	105	114	1,905	1,920	200	219	9.5
Texas	462	465	1,975	1,990	912	925	1.4
Utah	96	93	2,030	2,000	195	186	-4.6
Vermont	132	131	1,775	1,810	234	237	1.3
Virginia	92	90	1,730	1,705	159	153	-3.8
Washington	276	276	2,090	2,090	577	577	-
Wisconsin	1,280	1,279	1,975	2,060	2,528	2,635	4.2
23-State Total.....	8,633	8,644	1,998	2,019	17,246	17,450	1.2

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 17.5 billion pounds, up 1.2 percent from May 2015. April revised production, at 16.8 billion pounds, was up 1.1 percent from April 2015. The April revision represented a decrease of 13 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 2,019 pounds for May, 21 pounds above May 2015. This is the highest production per cow for the month of May since the 23 State series began in 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.64 million head, 11,000 head more than May 2015, but unchanged from April 2016.

Milk production in the United States during May totaled 18.6 billion pounds, up 1.2 percent from May 2015.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 1,999 pounds for May, 23 pounds above May 2015.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.33 million head, 3,000 head more than May 2015, but unchanged from April 2016.

Monthly Milk Production – 23 Selected States

Million pounds

